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The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. For a wider range of statistics reference should be made to the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* which is more comprehensive and covers a longer run of years but is not quite as up to date as the Digest. Where possible series in the Digest are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1975*, issued by this Bureau in July 1975 which contains original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form for one hundred and twenty three selected series. The seasonally adjusted indicators included therein are up-dated in relevant monthly and quarterly publications of this Bureau.

As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of some

calendar irregularities, namely: 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., in the month) and the influence of movable holidays, i.e. Easter and Australia Day. The adjustments made to each series are indicated in Appendix B of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1975*.

The seasonally adjusted series are subject to revision.

## **Symbols and other Usages**

p — preliminary. Subject to revision.

r — revised.

— — Break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures).

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

# PRODUCTION (a)

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes		Iron ore (b) '000 tonnes		Lead (c) '000 tonnes		Electricity MWh		Gas (d) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (e) '000		Electric motors under one hp '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	4,752	6,124	24,857	24,857	25.8	5,379	5,889	12,354	679	694	305	418	13.9	29.5	147	264		
February	6,412	6,531			33.5	5,489	6,356	12,682	660	726	401	440	34.7	34.8	287	322		
March	5,189	5,830			34.4	5,824	6,240	14,141	692	688	415	412	33.1	33.7	303	333		
April	6,380	6,721			35.3	5,907	6,113	14,989	640	672	413	415	36.3	33.6	316	323		
May	6,646	5,929			35.4	6,482	6,166	16,159	664	657	460	433	43.2	40.6	304	308		
June	5,358	4,892			35.1	6,795	6,298	18,276	573	628	424	418	39.7	38.3	294	320		
1975-76 - July	4,846	4,157	25,429	25,429	36.5	7,028	6,031	19,157	593	569	439	412	41.5	36.6	325	279		
August	3,614	4,129			35.9	6,776	6,137	18,737	735	717	429	413	39.7	38.6	328	302		
September	4,691	4,355			36.1	6,274	6,033	17,109	696	689	450	437	42.1	37.2	324	286		
October	7,478	6,287			37.7	6,363	6,306	17,094	589	551	443	399	43.7	37.9	392	311		
November	6,738	6,276			34.0	5,940	6,380	15,418	663	646	449	422	35.9	35.4	382	337		
December	4,990	7,452			28.9	5,959	6,336	14,312	661	633	389	408	34.0	38.9	320	319		
January						5,770	6,352	13,260	672	684	255	351	13.0	29.4	171	331		
February						5,880	6,668	15,002	584	624	416	442	40.0	39.8	333	372		

(a) Figures are preliminary and subject to revision. (b) Gross mine output. (c) Metallic contents of mine products. (d) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (e) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

## PRODUCTION - continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (excl. towels and toweling) (a) '000 sq m		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (excl. blanketing) (a) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre cloth (a) '000 sq m		Boots, shoes and sandals (a) '000 pairs		Meat (a) '000 tonnes		Whole milk production all purposes (a) mil. litres		Brokers and Dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Total Receipts '000 kg	% of total received by brokers(b)	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	744	1,634	274	420	3,382	1,296	184	206	673	549	45,677	83.8	13,797	78.1	13,904	
February	3,239	3,426	563	488	6,906	2,194	182	207	489	536	42,403	76.6				
March	2,964	3,049	528	496	7,041	2,226	183	198	432	501	39,320	78.1				
April	2,775	2,980	455	424	7,449	2,471	199	191	359	543	37,610	76.7				
May	3,816	3,184	572	586	8,890	2,396	201	177	303	552	33,637	76.0				
June	3,331	3,155	561	720	10,141	2,243	202	192	284	538	26,697	77.2				
1975-76 - July	2,572	3,346	680	641	10,419	2,794	229	201	363	525	42,903	76.0	14,303	79.0	14,194	
August	4,694	4,005	651	722	10,065	2,761	186	186	530	548	64,730	82.8				
September	4,276	3,913	692	657	10,703	2,629	204	204	687	550	95,245	82.8				
October	4,940	4,235	813	737	11,034	3,144	222	205	838	563	99,403	79.2				
November	3,878	3,666	738	635	9,729	2,569	191	205	825	567	88,322	79.3				
December	3,141	3,877	635	643	7,213	1,966	195	215	798	564	68,700	81.5				
January	1,398	3,058	418	684	4,877	1,240	183	210	639	531	35,604	77.3				
February	3,793	4,014	766	660	9,295		205	220								

(a) Figures are preliminary and are subject to revision. (b) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (c) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication reference No. 5.54.

## OVERSEAS TRADE

Month	Total exports, value \$m		Total imports, value \$m		Index of value of merchandise exports at constant prices 1966-67 = 100		Index of value of merchandise imports at constant prices 1966-67 = 100		Export price index		Official reserve assets (e) \$m	
									All groups 1959-60 = 100	All groups excl. wool 1959-60 = 100		
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	747	723	710	670	168	169	144	145	185	216	3,133	3,210
February	735	755	593	621					181	211	3,101	3,211
March	676	742	544	598					185	215	3,220	3,304
April	769	813	655	679					184	214	3,317	3,391
May	801	718	646	634	177	174	141	145	183	211	3,392	3,376
June	770	816	546	587					178	206	3,493	3,434
1975-76 - July	756	771	689	639	171	174	154	152	179	207	3,545	3,517
August	831	826	634	638					181	210	3,429	3,364
September	688	697	636	653					180	210	3,318	3,352
October	817	728	686	585					183	212	3,172	3,110
November	695	684	636	650					184	213	3,211	3,110
December	774	810	656	677					187	216	2,588	2,554
January	763	742	700	689					186	214	2,619	2,680
February	775	810	680	717							2,663	2,756

## INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail Sales†								Instalment credit for retail sales finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding (c) \$m		New motor cars and station wagons registered '000		Other new motor vehicles registered (d) '000	
	All items except motor vehicles parts, petrol, etc. (a) \$m		Total groceries food & drink (a) \$m		Clothing, electrical, hardware and furniture (a) \$m		Other (a) (b) \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.						
1974-75 -January	1,302	1,350	1,848	1,875	1,268	1,476	704	752	2,068	30.4	33.8	7.8	9.0	
February	1,219	1,370							2,066	44.4	50.9	9.2	10.9	
March	1,300	1,396							2,077	44.4	48.0	9.6	11.0	
April	1,387	1,434							2,082	51.6	53.2	11.2	10.4	
May	1,479	1,421	1,885	1,941	1,593	1,578	736	783	2,092	42.7	38.0	11.1	9.9	
June	1,348	1,445							2,097	38.2	38.8	10.3	10.3	
1975-76 -July	1,419	1,466	1,957	2,006	1,560	1,612	773	811	2,120	43.3	39.3	11.7	10.7	
August	1,427	1,469							2,140	39.4	39.8	10.7	10.6	
September	1,444	1,497							2,156	34.0	33.0	9.9	9.7	
October	1,567	1,503							2,181	39.6	35.9	11.2	9.8	
November	1,560	1,524	2,257	2,122	1,905	1,632	965	826	2,208	31.7	31.6	9.3	9.4	
December	2,007	1,542							2,245	32.9	32.9	8.4	8.8	
January	1,487	1,545							2,265	30.1	34.1	8.6	10.4	
February	1,407	1,559								33.4	38.4	9.0	10.7	

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Other: excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c) At end of month, amounts financed to new agreements made were: November \$m128, December \$m147, January \$m120. (d) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses.

(e) Replaces previously published series *Gold and net foreign assets*.

† Based on the 1968-69 census of retail establishments

## INTERNAL TRADE - continued

## WAGES, RETAIL PRICES AND FACTORY OVERTIME

Consumer price index, six capitals, year 1966-67 = 100.0																										
New wheeled tractors sold for agricultural purposes No.		Average weekly earnings per employed male unit \$		Weekly wage rates index, adult males (a) 1954 = 100	All groups	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscellaneous group	Factory overtime (b) at larger private factories hours															
Month	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Seas. adj.													
1974-75	January	3,335	3,433	143.60	152.00	{	374.4	174.1	163.4	175.2	190.2	149.2	187.2	{	1.8	2.1										
February	375.4																2.3	2.2								
March	380.1																2.2	2.1								
April	380.7																2.0	2.2								
May	398.0																2.0	1.9								
June	4,420	3,612	156.30	154.20	{	399.4	180.2	168.9	182.9	200.3	154.4	192.1	{	1.6	1.6											
1975-76	July	2,953	3,375	157.70	158.80	{	400.1	181.6	171.6	187.1	207.5	158.1	188.2	{	1.6	1.7										
August	401.1																1.8	1.8								
September	416.3																1.8	1.8								
October	416.5																191.7	176.9	200.0	218.4	162.9	203.2	1.9	1.9		
November	416.6																								2.1	2.0
December	417.0																								2.1	1.9
January	417.2																								1.6	2.6

(a) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (b) Source: Department of Employment and Industrial Relations. Average hours worked in survey week.

## BUILDING, ETC.

Month	Building approvals \$m		Building approvals dwellings '000 units		Government building approved \$m	Building commenced total \$m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Buildings, other than dwellings commenced \$m		New capital expenditure by private businesses (a)			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Buildings and structures \$m		Other capital equipment \$m	
												Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	263.2	319.6	7.5	9.3	88.9	1,086.1	1,089.1	28.4	29.2	515.8	507.7	441.4	512.7	641.1	707.6
February	257.1	277.9	8.3	9.4	70.4										
March	324.2	354.3	9.9	10.7	94.3										
April	398.6	384.2	11.1	10.4	140.9										
May	426.6	402.7	11.9	11.0	141.4										
June	484.6	426.7	12.8	12.4	209.6	1,203.6	1,175.6	32.9	31.7	510.3	496.8	585.4	559.3	852.7	819.8
1975-76 - July	461.1	402.2	12.5	11.3	133.8	1,345.8	1,322.2	35.1	34.1	551.0	560.9	545.5	545.4	814.8	828.5
August	359.6	397.9	10.4	10.4	79.5										
September	530.4	519.3	12.4	11.4	168.8										
October	401.6	365.5	12.1	11.2	72.4										
November	405.5	417.1	12.4	12.8	73.7										
December	400.3	422.1	11.8	12.4	63.8										
January	343.2	435.3	8.8	11.4	52.2										
February	396.2	425.0	11.7	13.2	65.7										

(a) For further details, see the bulletin "Capital Expenditure by Private Businesses in Australia", (Integrated Series) December quarter 1974 (Reference No. 5.8) issued 10.3.75.

# FINANCE

## Major Trading Banks †

Month	Savings banks †				New and increased lending commitments \$m	Finance companies, balances outstanding (a) \$m	Commonwealth bond yield short dated Per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m		Taxation revenue, Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m				
	Deposits \$m		Housing loans \$m	Deposits \$m				Advances \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
	Original	Seas. adj.		Original				Seas. adj.	Original					Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	12,012	12,025	4,038	13,179	12,640	9,504	9,620	89.2	8,153	8.20	255.9	343.3	1,305	1,379
February	12,184	12,214	4,158	13,628	12,928	9,526	9,732	108.0	8,128	8.10			1,067	1,350
March	12,218	12,309	4,315	13,983	13,432	9,485	9,632	132.4	8,125	8.12			1,088	1,235
April	12,259	12,437	4,460	14,159	13,788	9,643	9,517	126.7	8,090	8.24	279.6	304.5	1,933	1,409
May	12,407	12,590	4,583	13,700	13,848	9,913	9,709	129.0	8,075	8.18			2,787	1,372
June	12,790	12,828	4,717	13,665	14,189	9,932	9,743	115.2	8,105	8.30			1,807	1,375
1975-76 - July	12,946	12,920	4,826	13,910	14,547	10,046	9,870	100.4	8,094	8.22	286.9	271.2	1,081	1,379
August	13,198	13,103	4,909	14,179	14,782	10,014	10,005	90.8	8,173	8.23			1,404	1,419
September	13,442	13,591	5,016	14,497	14,935	10,057	10,107	93.3	8,240	8.22			1,022	1,529
October	13,744	13,557	5,170	14,943	15,112	10,195	10,166	102.3	8,401	8.31	353.8	275.3	1,143	1,451
November	13,804	13,688	5,255	15,067	15,182	10,072	10,185	101.1	8,480	8.26			1,658	1,489
December	14,006	13,976	5,395	15,500	15,230	10,177	10,293	99.0	8,542	8.20			1,304	1,481
January	14,044	14,043	5,437	15,679	15,087	10,290	10,416	98.5	8,516	8.32			1,510	1,617
February	14,150	14,166	5,525	15,536	14,748	10,177	10,386	96.5		8.28				

(a) Contracts including charges, plus contracts excluding charges. Amounts shown are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding; however, movements may be affected by changes in the proportion of the two components to the total. For further details see the monthly publication "Finance Companies". (Reference No. 5.14).

† Includes external territories.

# NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Quarter	Gross domestic product \$m		Gross farm product \$m		Gross non-farm product \$m		Final consumption expenditure				Gross fixed capital expenditure			
							Private \$m		Government \$m		Private \$m		Public \$m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES														
1974-75 - September	13,524	13,836	652	892	12,872	12,944	8,046	8,106	1,976	2,030	2,131	2,120	1,042	1,136
December	16,254	14,632	1,608	916	14,646	13,716	8,867	8,365	2,297	2,195	2,264	2,131	1,384	1,325
March	14,168	14,836	1,037	915	13,131	13,921	8,428	8,817	2,198	2,372	1,970	2,192	1,245	1,375
June	15,057	15,709	327	843	14,730	14,866	9,201	9,292	2,621	2,487	2,423	2,344	1,693	1,494
1975-76 - September	15,845	16,130	646	895	15,199	15,235	9,433	9,506	2,536	2,606	2,424	2,414	1,399	1,526
December	18,657	16,707	1,839	991	16,818	15,716	10,383	9,805	2,872	2,743	2,567	2,423	1,677	1,600

AT AVERAGE 1966-67 PRICES														
1974-75 - September	7,687	7,851	469	611	7,218	7,240	4,991	5,032	927	946	1,259	1,260	584	635
December	8,916	8,042	1,096	691	7,820	7,351	5,281	4,998	982	961	1,256	1,186	741	710
March	7,696	8,060	766	712	6,930	7,348	4,883	5,110	910	965	1,058	1,172	651	718
June	7,865	8,193	407	707	7,458	7,486	5,193	5,222	1,066	1,009	1,269	1,220	847	751
1975-76 - September	7,888	8,074	531	691	7,357	7,383	5,108	5,157	995	1,016	1,218	1,218	691	752
December	8,884	7,924	1,287	782	7,597	7,142	5,366	5,077	1,046	1,024	1,243	1,177	794	760

AT CURRENT PRICES - continued														
Quarter	Imports of goods and services \$m		Exports of goods and services \$m		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements \$m		Income of farm un- incorporated enterprises \$m	Other household income \$m	Less direct taxes, etc. (a) \$m	Household disposable income \$m
					Companies \$m		Other \$m							
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Original	Original	Original
1974-75 - September	2,689	2,610	2,240	2,294	1,346	1,298	2,657	2,796	8,214	8,334	not yet available			
December	2,654	2,652	2,521	2,420	1,843	1,588	3,755	2,858	9,201	8,743				
March	2,285	2,334	2,450	2,467	1,208	1,397	2,927	2,947	8,538	9,018				
June	2,319	2,344	2,570	2,599	1,804	1,926	2,293	2,994	9,237	9,153				
1975-76 - September	2,447	2,380	2,443	2,504	1,779	1,714	3,055	3,190	9,412	9,508				
December	2,477	2,480	2,672	2,559	2,035	1,753	4,495	3,396	10,300	9,745				

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid or payable by persons to general government. These include income tax payable and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

# 1 LABOUR FORCE (a)

# UNEMPLOYMENT AND JOB VACANCIES

Month	Labour force males civilian '000		Labour force married women civilian '000		Labour force, total civilian '000 persons		Unemployed persons '000		Persons registered for employment (b) '000		Unemployment benefit number on (c) '000 persons		Job vacancies registered (b) '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - January	(d)3,916.8	(d)3,892.3	(d)1,289.7	(d)1,294.5	(d)5,976.5	(d)5,938.0	(d)272.4	(d)222.3	311.6	226.0	182.3	134.3	42.5	34.7
February									297.7	252.0	184.2	162.7	38.4	34.5
March									274.8	267.8	157.5	162.8	34.5	33.7
April									265.4	281.1	168.5	166.8	31.3	33.5
May	3,896.3	3,897.3	1,288.6	1,295.7	5,940.1	5,955.6	229.6	259.5	248.1	270.0	159.9	160.3	28.8	31.6
June									246.0	270.2	160.7	164.1	25.5	29.9
1975-76 - July									251.6	287.7	(e)	(e)	25.5	30.5
August	3,872.7	3,893.6	1,293.0	1,299.7	5,921.5	5,961.1	233.5	295.3	248.2	299.9	170.9	188.5	26.2	29.3
September									246.1	303.7	179.9	213.2	26.0	26.6
October									247.2	315.8	176.5	228.8	25.0	23.6
November	3,918.9	3,921.5	1,356.4	1,337.3	6,078.2	6,061.5	279.1	277.2	265.6	288.2	184.5	215.9	28.4	26.5
December									328.7	286.9	231.3	187.9	29.3	26.4
January									343.9	257.4	248.6	182.7	35.2	28.8
February									273.3	222.8	203.7	254.6	31.0	27.8

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed. (b) Registered with Commonwealth Employment Service at Friday nearest the end of the month. (c) At Saturday nearest the end of month. (d) Excludes Darwin. (e) Unavailable due to the introduction of new administrative procedures.

# CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (a)

Month	Total civilian employees '000						Private/Government '000 persons				Principal industries '000 persons			
	Males		Females		Persons		Private		Government		Manufacturing		Wholesale and Retail Trade	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1974-75 - August	(b)3,046.5	(b)3,056.6	1,722.7	1,728.6	(b)4,769.2	(b)4,784.1	(b)3,556.4	(b)3,574.8	(b)1,212.8	(b)1,213.6	(b)1,305.5	(b)1,309.5	957.4	965.7
September	3,044.8	3,057.2	1,721.1	1,724.7	4,765.9	4,782.1	3,549.6	3,558.8	1,216.3	1,220.3	1,297.9	1,301.6	958.1	964.1
October	3,044.1	3,058.5	1,718.0	1,718.4	4,762.1	4,776.9	3,541.7	3,547.8	1,220.4	1,227.7	1,283.1	1,284.2	964.1	966.2
November	3,041.9	3,037.3	1,712.7	1,703.7	4,754.6	4,737.2	3,529.9	3,505.1	1,224.7	1,230.7	1,265.5	1,258.5	967.8	955.0
December	3,029.4	3,021.8	1,691.6	1,689.8	4,721.0	4,711.0	3,492.8	3,480.5	1,228.2	1,231.4	1,239.4	1,242.4	964.3	945.7
January	3,016.1	3,018.7	1,664.2	1,687.0	4,680.3	4,706.7	3,455.3	3,467.7	1,225.0	1,236.1	1,225.6	1,230.7	946.0	950.8
February	3,028.8	3,017.9	1,688.0	1,689.5	4,716.8	4,706.9	3,462.8	3,455.8	1,254.0	1,249.7	1,223.4	1,219.3	947.5	951.8
March	3,032.0	3,020.0	1,694.4	1,684.3	4,726.4	4,708.0	3,459.4	3,444.6	1,267.0	1,258.0	1,216.7	1,210.5	949.6	950.4
April	(b)3,033.2	(b)3,030.6	1,703.2	1,696.8	(b)4,736.5	(b)4,729.3	3,465.3	3,460.6	(b)1,271.2	(b)1,265.3	1,213.4	1,212.7	955.1	956.4
May	3,047.5	3,038.5	1,706.6	1,700.2	4,754.0	4,738.2	3,463.0	3,459.0	1,291.0	1,284.0	1,208.4	1,207.1	955.9	951.5
June	(b)3,043.7	(b)3,043.2	1,711.8	1,706.3	(b)4,754.5	(b)4,749.8	(b)3,457.1	(b)3,460.2	1,297.4	1,291.9	1,204.8	1,203.6	955.7	954.9
1975-76 - July	(b)3,028.7	(b)3,036.9	1,714.0	1,717.4	(b)4,742.7	(b)4,753.8	(b)3,444.9	(b)3,464.1	1,297.8	1,295.9	1,202.7	1,206.6	955.3	962.5
August	3,015.3	3,025.2	1,714.9	1,720.8	4,730.2	4,744.7	3,435.5	3,453.4	1,294.7	1,295.5	1,199.7	1,203.4	951.5	959.7
September	3,008.3	3,020.4	1,720.4	1,724.0	4,728.7	4,744.6	3,439.7	3,448.3	1,289.0	1,293.2	1,200.3	1,203.7	954.8	960.8
October	3,004.4	3,018.6	1,727.3	1,727.7	4,731.6	4,746.4	3,448.8	3,454.7	1,282.8	1,290.5	1,204.7	1,205.7	960.0	962.1

(a) Revised estimates are contained in this table. They are based on new benchmarks established by analysing data from the 1971 population census and other relevant sources. The estimates are based on the Australian Standard Industrial Classification and are not directly comparable with those published previously, which were based on the classification used for the 1966 population census. Employees in agriculture and private domestic service, and defence forces are excluded. (b) Affected by industrial disputes.

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